Gandil, Boehling and Morgan Will Be Indians, If Somers Retains His Place

THREE GRIFFMEN TO PLAY WITH INDIANS IF SOMERS REMAINS

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Chick Gandil, Ray Morgan and Joe Boehling will all three he turned over to the Cleveland club, if such action will prove of any assistance to Charlie Somers. Today in Cleveland Ban Johnson is doing his best to untangle the troubles of the original "angel" of the American League. If he succeeds in keeping Somers at the head of the Indians, it is more than likely that the three Griffmen will be sold, payment to be deferred until such time as Somers is on his feet

"While neither President Minor nor myself will attend the meeting in Cleveland," said Manager Griffith today, "it is possible that President Johnson will call one of us up on the long distance and tell us the results. I am willing to turn over Gandil, Morgan and Boehling to Somers, if they will do him any good. There isn't a thing in the world that I wouldn't do for him. The payment will take care of itself."

Chick Gandil will be delighted to play in Cleveland. He made overtures to Charlie Somers himself last summer, asking that he put through a deal that would bring the big first baseman to the Forest City. Gandil believes he could play better ball in the cooler weather of Cleveland than he does here in Washington. Boehling and Morgan have always done well in Cleveland and have many friends among the

JOHNSON IN FAVOR OF PLAN.

Fan Johnson is in favor of having Manager Griffith turn over these three players to Somers' club.

"It's impossible right now to say much about that," said Johnson. "I don't see where any one from the Federal League would add any strength to the Cleveland club, as there are only a few real good players in that circuit. Of course, I would like to see the Cleveland club get Gandil. Morgan and Boehling, of Washington, but that will be a matter for Mr. Somers to settle with the Washington club when the affairs of the ington club when the affairs of the ocal team are settled."

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with the Griffmen. Sixteen games have been scheduled for the former champions of the old league, as follows:
The first half dozen games of the Giants' exhibition program will furnish Wh training camp practice for McGraw's entry. The Giants will make a quick lump home, stopping only at Houston and Beaumont, Tex., Baton Rouge, and New Orleans, La., and at Chattaneoga. Tenn., to break jumps. Here is the com-plete schedule of exhibition games: March II. 12, Dallas (Texas League) at Dallas: 18, Galveston (Texas League) at Galveston: 19, Houston (Texas League) at Houston: 25, 26, Detroit (American League) at Dallas. Tex.: 31,

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most of them by those same stunts. When Charlie Comiskey purchased him from the Yankees, the former peerless first baseman was given his last chance to make good. His salary was paid without a murmur by the "Old Roman," who demanded in return only that the chapter stick to his knitting. This Chase falled to do. He began to think that conspirately were being formed against him among his team mates. The caliber of his work fell off rapidly. Suddenly almost without warning, he quit the White Sox.

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In a s-use Chase due his own arave. In a s-nae Chase due his own grave, so far as organized baseball is concerned. Without a shadow of grievance against Charlif Comiskey, the first-sacker listened to the murmurs of the fields. After thinking them ever he suddenly approached Comiskey and asked for his release, giving the club ten days' notice. He had denied on many occasions that there was any truth in the rumors that he would turn the traces, and so, when his action against Comiskey was taken the baseball world stood achast.

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Johnson believes in keeping hands off when it comes to transferring players from club to club in his league, believing this good policy. He is opposed to "syndicate basebail" in every way, However, Manager Griffith's willingness to go to the assistance of Charite of Gandil, Morgan, and Boehling to Pleveland before many weeks, certainly before the season opens.

Ed Gwinner, the Pittfed mognil, shows a disposition to become associated with the ownership of the Cleveland club, and it a holding his own players out of the narket until he learns his fate. President Euppert has made offers for Ed Nonetchy. Frank Allen, and Elmer Inetzer, desiring them for the Yankees, but has yet to receive an answer. Gwinner believes that he might he able to use these men in Cleveland, and has intimated that Somers will remain at the head of the club. Ban Johnson is in charge of the negotiations with the bankers' committee in Cleveland, and has intimated that Somers will remain at the head of the club. This may spoil Gwinner's plan and allow Keney, Allen, and Knetzer to go to the Yankees.

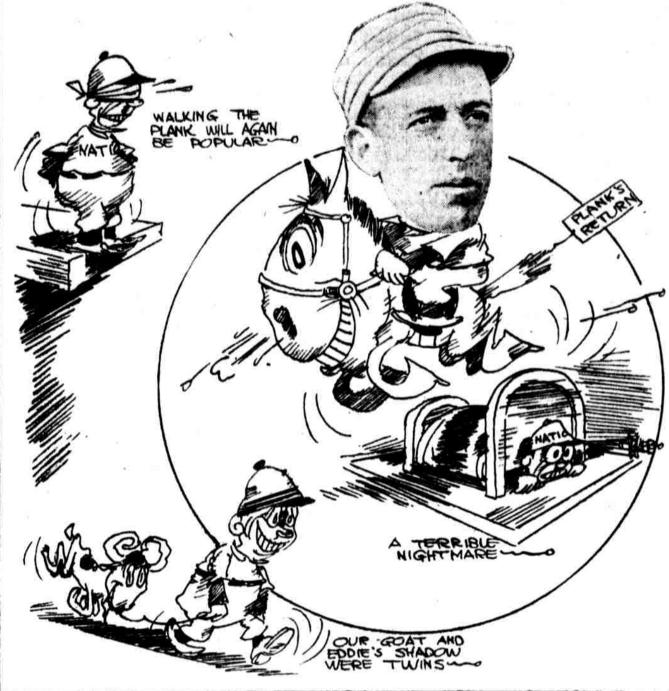
Though only recently appointed manager of the pittsburgh Pirates, Jimmy Callahan Is said to have promised the Los Angeles club three players for 1916, naming no names. Two of those to slide back are to be pitchers, the other an outfielder. It will be up to Callahan has suggested to Barney Dreyfus that certain Federal Leaguers would strengthen the Pirates in 1916, naming no names. Two of those to slide back are to be pitchers, the other an outfielder. It will be up to Callahan has suggested to Barney Dreyfus that certain Federal Leaguers would strengthen the Pirates and to make the selection later. Callahan has suggested to Barney Dreyfus that certain Federal Leaguers would strengthen the Pirates and the Pirates and here a loophole is offered the little magnate of the Smoky City. The pirates just failed to achieve the grand triumph last season. Under Callahan pittsburgh fans expect that the team will be more fortunate and come home aloop to the Vank ager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, Jimmy

The New York Clants will not be seen feds, may retire from baseball. In all today if the rumor hore any truth. amalgamated Brownies, and so he has come out with the announcement that he cares little, for he may join his father in the coal business in St. Louis. When pitching for the Washington club, Groom was also studying medicine, but he has, apparently, given up that am-

reaking joints.
Rollo Zeider—All done
Lee Magee—Not much of an infielder,
ut a line hitting outfielder, well worth major league berth. Charlie Deal-Might make good in the his show judging from his work against the Mackmen in the world's series of

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YES, THE OLD JINX IS COMING BACK



GILMORE MAY TAKE HERRMANN'S PLACE

Former Fed Leader Refuses to Deny Rumor That He Will Be Chosen.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—"Fighting Jin."

Gilmore may be named to succeed The football team of Rutgers College Will not meet the University of South Carolina in a game the first of the year. It was announced today by the Rutgers today if the rumor bore any truth.

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"Not if the salary were commens snawer.

"Salary might make a difference in all things," said Fighting Jim, and he let it go at that.

The annual meeting of the National Commission will be held in Cincinnat

Much is being written these days as to the number of players in the Federal League of Major League ability and some daring lads have made up a list that seems to take in almost fifty athletes, liere's some dope on some of these "bir leaguers."

Eddie Plank—Most certainly of major league caliber, even if able to pitch only about once a week.

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In the list of incapables you find spavins like George Stovail, Herman Schaefer, Frank Laporte, who have lived out their big league existence. You find good minor leaguers who have been tried and found wanting, like Vincent Campbell. Bill McKechnie, and Chester Chadbourne. You find a whole raft of green youngsters who, though now impossible, may develop.

There is nothing remarkable in this condition of things, for the same is true of both major leagues, but it is ridiculous to say that all those Federal Leaguers can hop right over the fence Leaguers can hop right over the fence and make good in the two big shows.

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Kauff Free Agent. NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- Benny

Kauff is a free agent, free to sign with the club offering the best terms, according to a statement today from John M. Ward, the former Federal star's attorney. Kauff had no contract with Brooklyn when he jumped to the Giants, Ward said. John McGraw repudiated the Giants' pact and Kauff is now suing for \$5,000.

Football Game Is Off.

Looks For Great Season For Association Teams

ST. PAUL Minn., Dec. 20. Settlenent of the baseball war, withdrawal the Federal opposition in Kansas thry and the almost certain return of the Cleveland club to Toledo, should give the American Association its

Pitt Replaces Michigan.

TODAY'S SPORTORIAL

When the amateur "experts" finally thresh out their arguments in New York, it is confidently expected that some commonsense rules will be adopted that can be lived up to by the athletes in New York and the athletes in Podunk. With two such influential bodies behind the movement to codify amateurism as the A. A. U. and the Intercollegiate Association, only success can be expected.

It is believed that in the future those athletes who compete for money or have been guilty of fraud will be declared professionals. After five years an athlete found guilty of professionalism, in that he competed for money, may apply for reinstatement and receive it. If guilty of fraud, he is to be barred for all time. Coaching for money entails a loss of amateur standing in that particular sport, though competition in other sports will be allowed. After a lapse of five years, on applying for reinstatement, such man may be declared an amateur in that sport which supported him as a

The best feature of the New York meeting has been the good spirit with which the entire subject of amateurism has been discussed. It was discovered that no universal rules obtain in this country, that one sport admitted of things banned by other lines. Track sports, conducted by the A. A. U. had the strictest rules, but it was found that there are no real amateur shooters in the country and 90 per cent of soccer football players receive divisions of the gate money.

Billy Garcelon, former graduate manager of Harvard University, made decided hit with his address to the delegates. "First, I advocate one general definition of an amateur. There are altogether too many of them now," said Garcelon. "I am for a universal code, but I believe that every governing body should interpret the rules according to the conditions which obtain in that sport. We cannot lay down a hard and fast rule and expect to govern all sports by it. Conditions in this country would not permit of such action.

'All of the national sport bodies agree on certain universal bars from amateurism. However, when we come to say that any man who plays with professionals is himself a professional, we are going pretty far. In some sports such a rule would be a fine thing, but in others it would work a great injustice. Take the case of a collegian who plays on his town nine

"He wants to play on that team and we want to see him play on it. He wants no money for playing, but if he does play we say he is a professional. That's a bad thing. Certain big colleges are right now forming an advisory board which will be empowered to give individuals permission to play summer baseball if on investigation it is satisfied that he will receive no money for playing."

The one rule suggested that may cause a lot of trouble is that which makes a professional man of a man who "capitalizes his athletic fame." Every athlete conducting a summer camp for boys would lose his standing under this rule. So would playground directors. Howard F. Whitney, secretary of the National Golf Association, admitted that this rule would stir up things among golfers. Many golfers earn substantial sums yearly at hotels, writing for newspapers and magazines, or remodeling various links around the country, their opportunity coming wholly through their reputation as players. However, when the present sessions in New York are concluded and the committee codifies the rules of amateurism, a great step ahead will have been taken.

When it is realized that 1.500 players engage in tennis in the Capital. the importance of this game may be seen at a glance. Furthermore, it is predicted that 2,500 will be seen on the courts of the District next summer. Ever since the red-headed McLoughlin won the national championship, the general public has taken more interest in tennis than ever before in the history of the game in this country. McLoughlin's personality was a splendid advertisement for tennis. The present champion, conqueror of McLoughlin, William Johnston, also fits the public eye. He is young. nervous, and brilliant. His victory over McLoughlin struck many a hard blow. It was the dethroning of a popular idol. But Johnston will also become an idol wherever his name is known. From the outlook, he will greatest year, John W. Norton, prest-dent of the St. Paul club, said today. be known everywhere, too, in 1916. Tennis will be the gainer and it is half than it had last year.

It has been the custom for several years to laugh at wrestling, but PITTSBURGH. Dec. 29 - Announce- the success of the international championships in New York has caused ment was made today that contracts the fans to think twice. The victories of the so-called Masked Marvel have been signed by Syracuse University who wears a mask covering his head and face, have done much to interest and the University of Pittsburgh for an New Yorkers in this ancient and once popular pastime. From all accounts indeer track meet, which will be held in Syracuse. N. Y.

The date has not been definitely de-The date has not been definitely de-termined, but will probably be March it. It is said here that Pitt will take the place formerly held by Michigan State commissions began to supervise it. Now boxing is on the up grade. How about wrestling?

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